

A Hand Apple Picker.

As the season for picking winter apples is now on, orchardists will find the illustrated picture of good service in reaching the fruit on extended limbs. One man stands under a tree and picks nearly all the fruit from the tree including the hardest to reach.

ANIMAL LIFE.

Some interesting facts about life in the animal world.

In old age the height of a man really diminishes.

Blue-eyed cats are said by Darwin to be almost dead.

The tail of a beaver is a regular trowel, and is used as such.

The hog eats fewer plants than any other herbivorous animal.

Carnivorous animals seldom produce more than two young at a birth.

The flesh of the box tortoise is eaten by the aborigines of Brazil.

In many tropical countries the scorpion grows to the length of a foot.

The eggs of the crocodyles are scarcely larger than those of the goose.

The greatest velocity attained by a whale is about a mile an hour.

Some of the largest ocean steamers can be converted into armed cruisers in thirty hours.

Ticks of the mammoth have been found to a length of 9 feet, measured along the curve.

The whole body of a box or other tortoise is a perfect network of powerful muscles.

Some naturalists say that the whale was once a land animal that took to the water.

Elephants annoyed by flies have often been known to break off a branch and use it as a fan.

Oxen and sheep are believed by some to be able to sleep better in company than when left alone.

The natural life of an elephant is said to be 120 years. It is, however, greatly shortened by captivity.

The bones of very old persons are said to have a greater percentage of lime than those of young people.

The rhinoceros has a perfect passion for wallowing in mud. It is usually covered with a thick coat of it.

The mole is an excellent civil engineer. He always secures his own safety by having several openings to his hole.

The lowest order of animal life is found in the microscopic jellyfish. It is simply a minute drop of glutinous matter.

Many birds have the trick of tumbling along on the ground ahead of a sportsman in order to draw him away from their dwelling.

European marmots remain dormant during the winter. Before becoming torpid they build a nest of earth and straw.

The outer layers of the alligator's skin are said to contain a large percentage of lime, hence the hardness of the animal's hide.

Although on land a clumsy animal, the fish is a quick swimmer. It is usually covered with a thick coat of mucus.

It is believed by microscopists that the highest life is found in the amoeba.

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get-at—thrust on the ends of the branches. The frame is made of heavy wire, or light round iron, and a heavy cloth cover is thrown over the frame, leaving the slots at each end so that the apple will be free to enter the net. Then all you have to do is to push or pull and the apple drops in the sack. I have one with a fourteen foot net and a sack with a six foot foot. The wire from A to B is eight inches wide, from C to D ten inches. The slots at C and D are four inches long and an inch wide. The handle or pole may be of any desired length.

Packing butter for Winter.

While winter dairying is slowly increasing it requires so much skill and careful management, and such a change in the common methods of the farm, that while it is the most profitable part of dairy farming, it is not likely, for some years yet, to be sufficiently practiced to fully supply the demand for butter in the winter. Thus the summer dairymen may still find it profitable to pack the fall made butter for winter sale. And indeed, he may do this with advantage as well as safety, for when the butter is packed in a cool, clean place, and in sweet airtight packages, there is a slow internal change going on in the butter by which its finest flavor is developed, and as with fruits, so the butter is greatly improved by what may truly be called a thorough ripening.

Two things are to be considered in this subject, always, however, premising that the butter is of the best quality, and is quite as easily made as when it is made from the sweet, fresh full cream, cited in every recipe for the best quality of butter.

The first thing in the process is the packaging; the second, the manner of packing the butter.

The best package for the purpose is a new white oak pail, made of solid timber, of knots and grain, and of a thickness, well jointed, and perfectly seamless. This pail holds fifty pounds. While spruce is the next best material, and is quite as free from any objectionable odor or taste given to the butter. The pail is prepared by the butter maker, and is usually packed in a box, and is sealed for at least twenty-four hours, then well sealed, and then filled with butter. This is done so that it may stay under the brine twenty-four hours before the butter is packed.

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Covered Rink.
The want of some recreation for the hotel, has long been felt in Stirling. The winter months leave in our midst no place for an hour's recreation during the winter. But now from a place for amusement is essential to the well-being of a community, necessary to all, and indispensable to the morals of young people. The place of pleasure that I advocate this winter is a skating rink. It is a place for amusement, but a half loaf is better than no bread, and we are deprived of open air skating, inside in our only refuge. It is to be expected of course that some will object to it, saying they are getting too gay, but we have had them express their opinion before, and we know how to value it. Camp Bedford has, and has been for some years, a covered rink and it has been carried on with the greatest success. Let us not always stick in the mire of sloth and idleness, rather let us up and at it. Make Stirling a model town and her residents a happy people, and to further the end of either, the first important thing is a safe and moral recreation for our youth.

Address and Presentation.
On Tuesday evening, Nov. 6th, nearly the whole congregation attending Salem Methodist Church, Stirling, for the sixth consecration of Rawdon, a genuine spirit by invading her home for the purpose of spreading a moral reformation, and family before they left the locality. The friends came furnished with all kinds of choice provisions, which were subsequently placed upon the tables and partaken of with much merriment. The choir of the church sang the well-known hymn, "We are one people," and the whole company joined in singing the well-known hymn, "We are one people." The friends came furnished with all kinds of choice provisions, which were subsequently placed upon the tables and partaken of with much merriment. The choir of the church sang the well-known hymn, "We are one people," and the whole company joined in singing the well-known hymn, "We are one people."

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A fine stock of Ladies and Gents Fur Coats here also.

FALL GOODS.
I have now got my stock complete in every line, and am prepared to sell at the lowest prices. Any person wanting goods will do well to call and see what they can do. I cannot give prices for everything, so leave that, you can judge for yourselves.
All kinds of produce taken in exchange. 500 bushels of Dried Apples wanted at once, for which I will pay the highest market price.

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BOOTS AND SHOES.
We have just received a fine lot of Kip and Calf for our custom. Prices to suit the times. All work guaranteed. Call and see us before buying elsewhere and you will save money. Repairing neatly done.
All kinds of Boots kept in stock.

BROWN & McCUTCHEON.
The price of wheat in Manitoba at the present time is as low as thirty-eight cents per bushel on the street in Winnipeg, while the Green Bay Farmers' Association is offering it for sale at the rate of forty cents for a while, but the Winnipeg grain men and millers formed a ring, refusing to pay more than thirty-eight cents. A few of the grain men refused to join the combination, and offered to take the wheat at the old price, which ranged from forty to forty-two cents at points west of Winnipeg, and the Lake of the Woods Milling Company, of the Greenwood elevator, at Douglas, was asked to join the ring to put the price down to thirty-eight cents, but he refused.

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IMPORTANT NOTICE
This is the settling up season. I respectfully ask all who are indebted to me either by note or account to call and settle as a matter of business. I will expect all to comply with the above request.
Thanking all customers for their patronage,
Respectfully yours,
L. MEIKLEJOHN.

WALL PAPER.
THE FALL is slowly but surely taking precedence over the winter. A new line of wall paper is being introduced, particularly in the Wall Paper line. The old way of papering in the spring and in the fall is fast becoming a thing of the past.
People recognize that by papering in the fall, the house offers greater attractions during the winter days and nights. When Christmas comes and the Holiday Season is at hand, your cozy, cheerful rooms help in your welcome to the guests who have returned for a visit to the old home.
Then, again, instead of having a regular holiday party, a happy party of things all crowded into the old-fashioned winter house, by cleaning of spring time, why not give a party to the work which you hitherto have allowed to worry you during April, May or June.
We give you a genuine discount of ten per cent. off all Wall Paper, the regular prices of which are from 35 to 50 per cent. cheaper than any other house in the trade.
If you cannot visit our store, write a post card to-day for samples. Mention what kind of a room you wish to paper and we will send you a beautiful lot of samples by return mail, and also our valuable little book entitled "Guide, how to paper" and how to get a \$50.00 job for a \$35.00 investment in Wall Paper.
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